Social Security Cases

Oral argument will generally be held in Social Security cases when the parties have consented to full adjudication before this Magistrate Judge, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636 and E.D. Mich. LR 73.1. Otherwise, oral argument will not be held. If service of the complaint is not reflected on the docket within 120 days of issuance of the summons, the Court will issue an order to show cause to the plaintiff.

Upon the filing of the transcript and answer, the Court will issue a scheduling order setting the deadlines for the filing of motions, responses, and the reply. Requests for adjournment of those days must show good cause. A proposed order is not needed.

Please adhere to the following practice guidelines when filing motions or briefs for Social Security cases:

Motions or briefs shall cite to the administrative record using the following format: docket number–docket subpart, transcript page number. So, for example, if a party is citing to a portion of the ALJ's decision, the citation would look something like: [R. 13-2, Tr. 29]. Motions and briefs that do not use this format will be stricken and must be corrected before refiling.